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Re:

Petition of MCImetro Access Transmission Services, LLC for Arbitration of Certain Terms and Conditions of Proposed Agreement with Horry Telephone Cooperative, Inc. Concerning Interconnection and Resale under the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Docket No. 2005-188-C

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced matter please find an original and ten (10) copies of a Joint Submission of Updated Unresolved Issues Matrix, along with ten (10) copies each of an "Unresolved Issues Matrix" and a "Disputed Language Matrix."

Please clock in a copy of this filing and return it with our courier.

Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,
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I, Rebecca W. Martin, Secretary for McNair Law Firm, P. A., do hereby certify that I have this date served one (1) copy of the Joint Submission of Updated Unresolved Issues Matrix, one (1) copy of Unresolved Issues Matrix, and one (1) copy of Disputed Language Matrix in the above–referenced matter on the following parties of record by causing said copies to be hand-delivered via Firm courier to the addresses shown below.

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I further certify that the below party of record has this date been served one (1) copy of the Joint Submission of Updated Unresolved Issues Matrix, one (1) copy of Unresolved Issues Matrix, and one (1) copy of Disputed Language Matrix via the United States Postal Service, first class postage prepaid and affixed thereto, and addressed as shown below.

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### JOINT SUBMISSION OF UPDATED UNRESOLVED ISSUES MATRIX

Horry Telephone Cooperative, Inc. ("HTC") and MCImetro Access Transmission Services, LLC ("MCI") respectfully and jointly submit the attached Unresolved Issues Matrix, which sets forth the issues and the parties' respective positions on the issues under the following headings:

Serving Customers Directly vs. Indirectly: Issue Nos. 2, 4(a), 7, 9

ISP-Bound Traffic/Virtual NXX: Issue Nos. 3, 4(b), 5

Reciprocal Compensation Rate: Issue No. 10

Calling Party Identification (CPN/JIP): Issue Nos. 1, 6, 8

In addition to the Unresolved Issues Matrix, we have enclosed a Disputed Language Matrix for the Commission's convenience. The two matrices are the same, except the first lists the parties' respective positions on each issue, and the second contains the parties' respective proposed contract language for each issue.

### Respectfully submitted this 29<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2005.

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Serving Customers Directly vs. Indirectly - (Issues 2, 4(a), 7, 9)

7	4(a)	2	Issue#
Interconnection	Interconnection	GT&C, Glossary	SEC.
3.1	Ξ	2.17	<b>8</b> #
Does the contract need the limit of "directly provided" when other provisions discuss transit traffic, and issue of providing service directly to end users also is debated elsewhere?	Should MCI have to provide service (a) only directly to end users and (b) only to End Users physically located in the same LATA to be covered by this agreement?	Should End User Customer be defined as only customers directly served by the Parties to the contract?	UNRESOLVED ISSUE
No. This language is unnecessary and confusing in light of other provisions of the contract.	(a) No. See issue #2 above. End User Customers may also be indirectly served by the Parties. The same "directly or indirectly" language is used in section 2.22 of Horry's model contract for defining interexchange customers.	No. End User Customers may be directly or indirectly served. The Act expressly permits either direct or indirect service. (See Issue 4(a)).	MCI Position
Yes. As discussed in Issues 2 and 4(a), third party traffic is not part of this agreement between Horry and MCI.	(a) The traffic governed by this agreement is for telecommunications service provided by either Party to end user customers.	Yes. This agreement is limited in scope to the intraLATA traffic exchanged between customers of one Party and the customers of the other Party. Other carriers that provide local exchange services to customers and wish to exchange traffic with Horry must establish their own interconnection or traffic exchange agreements with Horry.	HORRY POSITION

Issue# SEC.	<b>%</b> #	UNRESOLVED ISSUE	MCI Position	HORRY POSITION
9     []	1.1	Should the Parties be	No. This is not required for any industry	Yes. The current FCC rules require only service
dΝ		providing service	definition of LNP. MCI is certified to do	provider portability. Horry's proposed
		directly to End Users	LNP for the End Users that indirectly or	language in the agreement is consistent with
		to port numbers?	directly are on its network. Concerns that	Horry's obligations and the FCC's rules
			some resellers may not be	regarding number portability.
			telecommunications carriers or must	
			provide the same type	
			telecommunications services provided	
			prior to the port is an illegal limit on what	
			entities MCI can provide wholesale	
			telecommunications services. The FCC	
			has even allowed IP-Enabled (VoIP)	
			service providers to obtain numbers	
			directly without state certification. See the	
			FCC's CC Docket 99-200 order (Adopted:	
			January 28, 2005; released: February 1,	
			2005) granting SBC Internet Services, Inc.	
			(SBCIS) a waiver of section 52.15(g)(2)(i)	
			of the Commission's rules. And MCI	
			knows no law requiring that the same type	
			of Telecommunications Service provided	
			prior to the port has to be provided. That	
			is antithetical to the goals of competition.	

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## II. ISP-Bound Traffic / Virtual NXX - (Issues 3, 4(b), 5)

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		terms of determining compensation when FX or virtual NXX service is subscribed to by the ISP?	Is ISP traffic in the Commission's or FCC's jurisdiction in
Horry, for non-ISP traffic in light of the Commission's previous decisions. However, MCI reserves the right to have its FX and virtual NXX services rated as local if the FCC preempts the subset of states that have inconsistent rulings on the rating of CLEC FX or virtual NXX services.	While MCI believes that it is discriminatory to allow ILECs to rate their FX and virtual NXX traffic as local when CLECs are not allowed to do the same, it will not little to the interest of the same of the sam	Order as amended by the CoreCom decision. The Texas PUC recently clarified that its order applying access charges to CLEC FX traffic only applied to non-ISP traffic and that the FCC's ISP	See Issue No. 4(b). ISP traffic is in the FCC's jurisdiction and subject to compensation pursuant to its ISP Remand
compensation.	Horry's proposed language all types of interexchange calls, including dial-up ISP calls using a virtual NXX, are consistent with the Commission's and the FCC's existing rules which exclude all such calls from reciprocal	or the FCC, as MCI suggests. The issue is what constitutes ISP-bound traffic, especially when the CLEC assigns a virtual NXX as a dial-up ISP number and the ISP is not physically located in Horry's local calling area. Under	The issue in dispute between Horry and MCI is not whether ISP-Bound traffic is in the iurisdiction of the South Carolina Commission

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when out of balance?	Should all intraLATA traffic be exchanged on a bill and keep basis or should reciprocal compensation apply	provide service (a) only directly to end users and (b) only to End Users physically located in the same LATA to be covered by this agreement?	Chould MCI have to
CoreCom ruling allows it to seek compensation for ISP traffic in new markets.	MCI believes reciprocal compensation rates should apply for all ISP-bound traffic. MCI also believes reciprocal compensation rates should apply for non-ISP Local / EAS traffic if out of balance traffic (60/40). MCI believes the recent	traffic is under the FCC's jurisdiction, and it never said its ISP orders do not apply to virtual NXX traffic. FX/ISP provider customers do not have to be physically located in the LATA to be subject to the ISP Remand Order. The FCC has established a compensation regime for ISP traffic that does not require payment of access charges.	(h) No As stated above ISB bound
per minute of use billing for the exchange of IntraLATA Traffic under the agreement because such traffic is believed to be roughly balanced. Because MCI is a CLEC and can change business plans at any time in order to serve a certain sub-set of end users customers, it can use regulatory arbitrage to its financial advantage. Horry does not have this flexibility to choose certain customers, because it is a carrier of last resort and has an obligation to provide basic local exchange service to all end user customers within its respective certificated service area.	Compensation for IntraLATA Traffic should be in the form of the mutual exchange of services provided by the other Party with no per minute of use billing related to the exchange of such IntraLATA Traffic. From the beginning of negotiations, Horry proposed that there be no	physical location of the originating and terminating customer determines the jurisdiction of the call.	HORRY POSITION  (b) For purposes of this agreement was The

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### III. Reciprocal Compensation Rate - (Issue 10)

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bound traffic?	for out-of-balance Local/EAS or ISP-	compensation rate be	reciprocal	What should the	UNRESOLVED ISSUE
			Remand Order.	This is the rate set forth in the FCC's ISP	MCI Position
of the discussion surrounded if there should even be reciprocal compensation.	Parties never discussed what would be the appropriate reciprocal compensation rate. All	fact, during the entire course of negotiations the	need for a reciprocal compensation rate. In	As discussed in Issues 3 and 5, there is not a	HORRY POSITION

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## IV. Calling Party Identification (CPN/JIP) - (Issues 1, 6, 8)

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Should Parties have to provide the specified signaling parameters on all calls?	Should Parties be required to provide (a) CPN and JIP and (b) pay access charges on all unidentified traffic?	Should companies be required to provide JIP (Jurisdiction Information Parameter) information?
No. Percentages for CPN have been set above and JIP is not mandatory. MCI will agree not to alter parameters received from others, but it cannot commit to more than 90% CPN.	MCI (a) is willing to provide CPN (JIP is an optional SS7 parameter. Other ILECs have not insisted that MCI provide JIP) and (b) believes that all unidentified traffic should be priced at same ratio as identified traffic. A price penalty should not be applied for something MCI does not control. MCI is open to audits and studies by either Party if one or the other thinks the 10% or more of traffic missing CPN information is an effort to avoid access charges.	MCI Position  No. This is not a mandatory field. The ATIS Network Interconnection Interoperability Forum is still working on rules for carriers choosing to populate this field for VoIP traffic and wireless carriers. The revised instructions for JIP for landline carriers were only released in December. There is only a recognized industry standard to provide CPN currently.
Yes. All signaling parameters are to be included in the signaling information whatever the source.	Yes. In order to properly identify the jurisdiction of the traffic exchanged between the parties, the parties should be required to provide CPN and JIP. The parties should have an incentive to properly identify the jurisdiction of the traffic exchanged between them.	Yes. Horry should have the ability to determine the proper jurisdiction of the calls delivered to its switches. Jurisdiction Information Parameter (JIP) is one of the pieces of information that is available and technically feasible which can support Horry's ability to establish the proper jurisdiction of calls terminating to their networks.

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to port numbers?	Should the Parties be providing service	UNRESOLVED ISSUE
the FCC rules and regulations. Service provider portability is the ability of users of telecommunications services to retain, at the same location, existing telecommunications numbers without impairment of quality, reliability, or convenience when switching from one telecommunications carrier to another. The dial tone must be derived from a switching facility that denotes the switch is ready to receive dialed digits.	The Parties will offer service provider local number portability (LNP) in accordance with	MULLANGUAGE
the FCC rules and regulations. Service provider portability is the ability of users of telecommunications services to retain, at the same location, existing telecommunications numbers without impairment of quality, reliability, or convenience when switching from one telecommunications carrier to another. Under this arrangement, the new Telecommunications Service provider must directly provide Telephone Exchange Service or resell an end user local exchange service through a third party Telecommunications Service provider to the End User Customer porting the telephone number. The dial tone must be derived from a switching facility that denotes the switch is ready to receive dialed digits. In order for a port request to be valid, the End User Customer must retain their original number and be served directly by the same type of Telecommunications Service subscribed to prior to the port.	The Parties will offer service provider local number portability (LNP) in accordance with	HORRY LANGUAGE

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### II. ISP-Bound Traffic / Virtual NXX - (Issues 3, 4(b), 5)

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3	е	2.25	Is ISP traffic in	INTRALATA TRAFFIC	INTRALATA TRAFFIC
	<b>8</b> T	2.28	the Commission's	Telecommunications traffic that originates and terminates in	Telecommunications traffic that originates and
	'Э²	2.34	or FCC's	the same LATA, including but not limited to IntraLATA toll,	terminates in the same LATA, including but not
	Gloss		jurisdiction in terms of	based on the originating and terminating NPA-NXX.	Local/EAS.
	esty -		determining	ISP-BOUND TRAFFIC	ISP-BOUND TRAFFIC
			when FX or	ISP-Bound Traffic means traffic that originates from or is directed, either directly or indirectly, to or through an	ISP-Bound Traffic means traffic that originates from or is directed, either directly or indirectly, to
			virtual NXX	information service provider or Internet service provider (ISP)	or through an information service provider or
			service is	originating End User Customer or has purchased FX	Internet service provider (ISP) who is physically located in an exchange within the Local/FAS
			subscribed to by	service from the CLEC. The FCC has jurisdiction over ISP	area of the originating End User Customer.
			the ISP?	traffic and sets the rules for compensation for such traffic.	Traffic originated from, directed to or through an ISP physically located outside the
				LOCAL/EAS TRAFFIC	originating End User Customer's Local/EAS
					area will be considered switched toll traffic and
	-			physically located in one exchange and terminates to an End	subject to access charges.
				or other mandatory local calling area associated with the	LOCAL/EAS TRAFFIC
				originating End User Customer's exchange as defined and	Any call that originates from an End User
				specified in ILEC's tariff. ISP-bound traffic may be carried	Customer physically located in one exchange and
				on local interconnection trunks but will be rated based on	terminates to an End User Customer physically
				the originating and terminating NPA-NXX).	located in either the same exchange or other
					mandatory local calling area associated with the
					originating End User Customer's exchange as
					defined and specified in LLEC stariff.

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Interconnection	SEC.
2.4	<b>8</b> #
Should all intraLATA traffic be exchanged on a bill and keep basis or should reciprocal compensation apply when out of balance?	Unresolved Issue
The Parties agree to only route IntraLATA Traffic over the dedicated facilities between their networks. InterLATA Traffic shall be routed in accordance with Telcordia Traffic Routing Administration instruction and is not a provision of this Agreement. Both Parties agree that compensation for intraLATA Traffic shall be in the form of the mutual exchange of services provided by the other Party with no additional billing if the traffic exchange is in balance.  Traffic is considered out-of-balance when one Party with no additional billing if the traffic exchange is in balance.  Traffic is considered out-of-balance when one Party with no additional billing if the parties. The Parties also agree that the compensation for ISP-bound traffic, because the FCC's orders on compensation for ISP-bound traffic, pecifically (1) the so-call ISP Remand Order, 16  FCC Rcd 9151 (2001) and (2) the modifications to that order made in the FCC's decision on Core Communications, Inc. for bearance Under 47 U.S.C. Paragraph 161 (c) from Application of the ISP Remand Order, WC Docket No. 03-171, released October 18, 2004). Traffic studies may be requested by either party to determine whether traffic is out of balance, either Party may notify the other Party that mutual compensation between the Parties will commence in the following month. The Parties agree that charges for termination of Local/EAS and ISP-bound Traffic on each Party's respective networks are as set forth in the Pricing	MCI LANGUAGE
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### III. Reciprocal Compensation Rate - (Issue 10)

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## IV. Calling Party Identification (CPN/JIP) - (Issues 1, 6, 8)

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		9.5	Should companies be	The Parties shall each perform traffic	The Parties shall each perform traffic
	8Т		required to provide	recording and identification functions	recording and identification functions
	) <sup>2</sup>		JIP (Jurisdiction	necessary to provide the services	necessary to provide the services
			Information	contemplated hereunder. Each Party shall	contemplated hereunder. Each Party shall
			Parameter)	calculate terminating duration of minutes	calculate terminating duration of minutes used
	-		information?	used based on standard automatic message	based on standard automatic message
				accounting records made within each Party's	accounting records made within each Party's
				network. The records shall contain the	network. The records shall contain the
				information to properly assess the	information to properly assess the jurisdiction
				jurisdiction of the call including ANI or	of the call including ANI or service provider
				service provider information necessary to	information necessary to identify the
				identify the originating company, including	originating company, including the JIP and
				originating signaling information. The	originating signaling information. The Parties
				Parties shall each use commercially	shall each use commercially reasonable
		<u> </u>		reasonable efforts, to provide these records	efforts, to provide these records monthly, but
				monthly, but in no event later than thirty	in no event later than thirty (30) days after
				(30) days after generation of the usage data.	generation of the usage data.

		Interconnection
		2.7.7 Should Parties be required to provide (a) CPN and JIP and (b) pay access charges on all unidentified traffic?
	or JIP (valid originating information) will be handled in the following manner. <u>All unidentified traffic will be treated as having the same jurisdictional ratio as the ninety (90%) of identified traffic.</u> The Parties will coordinate and exchange data as necessary to determine the cause of the CPN or JIP failure and to assist its correction.	If either Party fails to provide accurate CPN (valid originating information) <u>or</u> Jurisdiction Information Parameter ("JIP") on at least ninety percent (90%) of its total originating INTRALATA Traffic, then traffic sent to the other Party without CPN
The originating Party will provide to the other Party, upon request, information to demonstrate that Party's portion of traffic without CPN or JIP traffic does not exceed ten percent (10%) of the total traffic delivered. The Parties will coordinate and exchange data as necessary to determine the cause of the CPN or JIP failure and to assist its correction.	(valid originating information) will be handled in the following manner. The remaining ten percent (10%) of unidentified traffic will be treated as having the same jurisdictional ratio as the ninety (90%) of identified traffic. If the unidentified traffic exceeds ten percent (10%) of the total traffic, all the unidentified traffic shall be billed at a rate	If either Party fails to provide accurate CPN (valid originating information) and Jurisdiction Information Parameter ("JIP") on at least ninety percent (90%) of its total originating INTRALATA Traffic, then traffic sent to the other Party without CPN or JIP

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